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This communication is responsive toamendment 1 7/22/96
The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-11, 13-18, 20, 21, 23, 24
The drawings filed on are acceptable.
Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been
received.
received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number)
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because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.
☐ Including changes required by the Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Parising Page 115
including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on, which has been approved
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☐ Including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.
Identifying Indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings.  Note the attached Exeminate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftperson.
Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPONIT OF THE
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☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s).
☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
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☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413
Examiner's Amendment/Comment
Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Art Unit: 1654

#### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Schumann on Aug. 28, 1998.

- 2. The application has been amended as follows: in claim 1, line 4, "and" is deleted and --or-- is added. Also at line 4, the "s" at the end of "salts" is deleted.
- 3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cybille Delacroix-Muirheid whose telephone number is (703) 306-3227.

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August 28, 1998

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